

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-37 have been canceled. Claims 38-47 are in this application.

Claims 1-9 and 33 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112. Claims 1-37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ginter et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,892,900).

It is respectfully submitted that a Preliminary Amendment was filed at the time of filing the present application. Such Preliminary Amendment canceled claims 1-37 and added new claims 38-47. (With regard thereto, reference is made to items 7 and 11 of the "Request For Divisional Application" filed in the above application which indicates that claims 1-37 were canceled and new claims 38-47 were added, and a Preliminary Amendment was enclosed.)

Since claims 1-37 were previously canceled, it is respectfully submitted that the above 112 and 103 rejections be withdrawn.

As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been fully overcome, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections and/or rejections which the Examiner might have.


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If there are any charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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